

Remarks

In the official action, the Examiner sets forth an eight-way election of Species requirement.

The Applicant hereby elects Species VIII (Figures 10b, 10b-1, 10c and 10c-1).

Claims 1, 2, 5-7, 9-13, 15-27 and 29-32 are readable on the elected Species.

An action on the merits of this application is awaited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 12-0415. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, then the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 12-0415.

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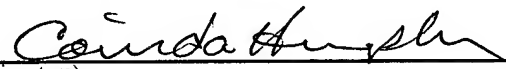
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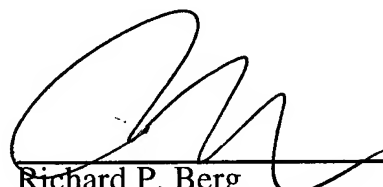


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